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Dreams of the HUNT

Foundation brings terminally ill youth to Wyoming

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

Several local residents have joined with the Outdoor Dream Foundation to bring children with terminal or life-threatening illnesses to Wyoming to accomplish their dream of hunting Wyoming game.

From guiding the hunt to providing the land for the youth to hunt on, Wyomingites have donated their time and resources to make the dreams of children from across the country come true.

Joe Sandrini, a Wyoming Game and Fish

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Kaleb Buck was able to snag a beautiful bull elk on his 2015 hunting trip to Wyoming through the Outdoor Dream Foundation with the help of guide Dick Terry. Buck came to hunt in Wyoming as one of his last wishes; he passed away the spring after his dream hunt from terminal cancer.

Influenza season in high gear

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NLJ Reporter

Weston County, Wyoming and the nation are experiencing significant numbers of confirmed Influenza, also known as the flu, cases this season.

The season began in Oct. and ends sometimes as late as April. The State of Wyoming Department of Health reports that as of Jan. 20 a total of 2,476 confirmed cases of the flu have been reported, up from 1,962 as of Jan. 13.

According to the department's report, Weston County has had six confirmed cases, but Weston County Health Services Prevention Nurse Angela Phillips told the News Letter Journal that this number is not necessarily accurate. She reports that while she cannot pinpoint an exact number, she can confirm that WCHS alone has seen more than the six confirmed flu cases that have been reported.

"Typically after people start having symptoms, we don't always test," Phillips said.

She noted that Newcastle's Regional Health clinic also does their own testing and she is unsure of how many cases they may have seen.

Symptoms of Influenza, according to Phillips, include fever, cough, sore throat, runny or stuffy nose, body aches, headache, chills and fatigue.

"People often confuse the term 'flu' with the symptoms of GI issues such

as nausea, vomiting and diarrhea. The Influenza "flu" we refer to in healthcare is a serious, contagious disease that can lead to hospitalization and sometimes death," Phillips said.

The Center for Disease Control reported that so far in the 2017-2018 flu season there have been 53 pediatric deaths.

"Nausea can be a symptom, but we are specifically looking at the respira-

tory symptoms," Phillips said, noting that individuals may experience one, a few or all of the influenza symptoms.

While anybody can contract the flu, it is important for individuals to pay close attention to children and the elderly experiencing symptoms. As of press time, Weston County Manor was on isolation to prevent the spread of illness. Anyone experiencing trouble breathing, issues getting their fever down or any signs of dehydration should seek medical attention.

Treatment for influenza can include an antiviral called Tamiflu that can be effective if the individual has not been experiencing the symptoms for too long. "With the flu, it is a virus so it takes lots of rest and fluids," Phillips said.

The flu vaccine is the only way to actively prevent the flu, and Phillips reports that it is not too late in the season to get vaccinated. She added that the effectiveness of this year's flu vaccine has not yet been reported.

According to Phillips, hand washing is very important in preventing the spread of the flu, as well as any other illness, and that anyone who is sick with flu-like symptoms should stay home.

"If you have a fever, stay home until you are afebrile for 24 hours without fever reducing medications," Phillips said, noting that people can infect others 24 hours before they experience flu-like symptoms and can be contagious for seven days after being sick.



According to the Centers for Disease Control, this season, only injectable flu vaccines (flu shots) are recommended. Some flu shots protect against three flu viruses and some protect against four flu viruses.

RENEW relocating

Alexis Barker
NLJ Reporter

Since selling its building on Dec. 12, 2017 on Fairgrounds Road, Rehabilitation Enterprises of North Eastern Wyoming has been searching for an affordable building for its operations. RENEW has been using a home they own in Gray Addition, but after several citizen complaints, the city has informed RENEW that because of zoning restrictions, it cannot use the home to operate.

RENEW currently provides a mix of day, companion and supporting living services to a total of six clients in Newcastle at this time.

"The day services are comprised of community integration and adult day services. Community integration services offer assistance with acquisition, retention or improvement in self-help, socialization and adaptive skills that take place in a non-residential setting," CEO Chris Ahlstrom said.

He noted that adult day services consist of meaningful activities that maximize different skills and abilities at the service center or within the community. While companion services include non-medical care, or supervision, socialization and assistance for a participant to maintain safety in the home and community, as well as enhanced independence.

"Supporting living is comprised of going into the participant's home and assisting as needed with daily living skills which can include cooking, housekeeping, shopping and paying bills," Ahlstrom said, noting that the business utilizes three employees in Newcastle with oversight by a manager in Sheridan.

According to Ahlstrom, RENEW is paid for the services they provide through the Medicaid Waiver, payments are 50 percent from the state

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— Jim Peck
Newcastle City Attorney

and 50 percent from the federal government.

City Attorney Jim Peck reported to the Newcastle City Council on Jan. 16 that residents of the subdivision objected to the sign on the property and complained that RENEW employees parked in front of their homes without permission.

Peck told the News Letter Journal that the city has a restrictive parking ordinance that prohibits parking in front of residents' homes without permission.

"Those are the city's two concerns, the two issues that bothered the neighbors," Peck said.

He noted that RENEW has been contacted and informed that it cannot operate a business out of the residence, but that they can use the home for a group home. He also indicated that the sign, which made the home look like a business, has since been removed. Peck reported that as far as he is aware, the residence is being used by RENEW for clients to interact and complete arts and crafts.

According to Peck, RENEW employees were also

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The love that keeps on giving

Bri Brasher
NLJ Reporter

Married for nearly 55 years, Gerldine and Bill Anderson share a love most envy and a connection many will never find. Gerldine turns 93 years young in June, and she credits Bill, eight and a half years her junior, for her health and high spirits. The two continuously poke fun at each other with smirks on their faces and hands intertwined. While complimenting Gerldine on her youthful persona, Bill bantered with her.

"That's from marrying a

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"I just knew I had to keep going because I never give up — even now!" she said with a feisty shake of her fist.

Gerldine and Bill Anderson have been married for nearly 55 years — but their love is going strong.



WEATHER FORECAST

Thursday
PM Rain/Snow
Hi 37, Lo 6



Friday
Snow Showers
Hi 12, Lo 1



Saturday
Partly Cloudy
Hi 11, Lo -2



Sunday
Sunny
Hi 24, Lo 14



Monday
Mostly Sunny
Hi 34, Lo 16



Tuesday
Partly Cloudy
Hi 27, Lo 14

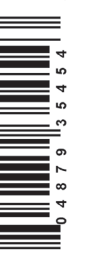


Wednesday
Mostly Sunny
Hi 32, Lo 18



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Opinion

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Our View

Make our stand

Residents who filled the upstairs courtroom at the courthouse on Tuesday afternoon heard assurances from Forest Service officials that they are committed to maintaining a presence in Newcastle.

On the same day, the NLJ was told by Black Hills Energy that they weren't prepared to tell the public anything about the rumored sale of its oil operation here, Black Hills Exploration and Production, because nothing is finalized.

Earlier that morning, a hack from ONEOK Pipeline—remember them— informed the commissioners of the company's plan to build another pipeline through the county, and tried to assure them that we would be respected in the process.

We don't believe them, and you shouldn't either.

We barely know ONEOK because they rolled through, dropped their pipe in the ground and have been counting their money in Tulsa, Oklahoma ever since. The Forest Service and BHE have moved people out of this community for more than two decades while both entities have constructed multi-million dollar palaces for themselves in Rapid City. Through it all, they promised to maintain a presence here, but an occasional photo op and a couple of big cardboard checks can never compensate us for the families (and human capital) that we've lost. These bureaucracies don't care about us and they certainly don't respect us, and if we don't stand up to them now they never will. We have taken these entities at their word for far too long, and you only need to look at our Main Street to see what we've gotten in return. It is time to make as much noise as we can and get our elected officials involved, or BHE's abandoned office won't be the only building covered in "CLOSED" signs.

I have the best of both worlds

As a mother of two, one of each gender, some would say I have the best of both worlds. I get the bows and the pink, as well as the dirt and the blue, but sometimes having two children who are completely opposite is not all it is cracked up to be.

My first child, Brecklee, was calm, collected, well behaved and pretty much an angel. ... My son, Kazen, on the other hand, is the complete opposite. He is loud, obnoxious and dirty, can't sit still and is just a complete and utter handful.

I find myself often regretting the times when Brecklee was younger, before Kazen was born, that I said, "Oh, she never did that!" to another parent telling horror stories.

I find myself feeling bad for all the times I rolled my eyes at a mother in the store who couldn't contain her screaming child—because Kazen is now that kid.

It seems like no matter what I do, Kazen has managed to be the opposite of my angel Brecklee, and has done all of those things I once said she never did.

For instance, I can not count how many times I have heard mothers tell stories of waking up to a huge mess in the house because their child decided to make a meal while the parents were still asleep. Brecklee never once did this—Kazen on the other hand ...

A few weeks ago I woke up to the sound of small footsteps running up and down the hallway. I slowly made my way to the hallway, wondering what this little terror could possibly be doing at three in the morning.

I came face to face with my bright, blue-eyed 3-year-old and heard the words "Mommy, I was hungry." At this point, my half-asleep self perked up and rushed to his room to see what possible mess he could have created for me to clean up this early in the morning. He is also notorious for

getting on the counter and crushing everything he can get his grubby little paws on.

I walked through his bedroom door to discover that my rambunctious little boy decided to eat almost an entire loaf of bread in the middle of the night, and I say almost because all that was left was the crust ... crumpled, ripped into tiny little pieces and strung from one end of his room to the other.

The empty bread sack, lying neatly on his bed, was snatched up by Kazen, who handed it to me, proclaiming that he was starving and had to eat the bread.

Now, Brecklee would never have committed such an act, especially at three in the morning because that girl loves her sleep.

Kazen, though, has committed such heinous acts as the bread fiasco on a regular basis. A few weeks before the bread incident, he removed every cereal box from the pantry and shredded them in his room. ... Thank goodness he couldn't get the bags opened. Before that, a bag of candy from the top of the fridge fell victim to Kazen, who unwrapped every piece and piled them on his bed.

I can't take him to the store without providing him a snack to enjoy in the cart unless I want to make a mad dash through the store with a screaming 3-year-old. We can't take him out to eat unless we plan ahead with entertainment, crackers to hold him until the food arrives and a seat that will keep him contained without an escape route.

As a mother, I have the best of both worlds. I have an angel and I have a handful. I have pink and I have blue. I have glitter and I have mud. I love both of my children dearly, but I cannot wait for the terrorist 3's and the fearsome 4's to be over!



Alexis Barker
Worse than
her bite

I prefer original mascot names—like Dogies!

You would think that high school mascot names would not be that big a deal. But they are.

In towns big and small, school names help identify a town. Especially in smaller towns, it is powerful stuff.

It has always frustrated me that high schools in my hometown in Iowa and here in Lander have used Tigers as their mascots. Now a tiger is a ferocious, brave and tough animal, but what the heck does that animal mean to towns in Wyoming mountains or back in the cornfields of Iowa?

Riverton athletes are the Wolverines, which at least is a local Wyoming animal.

Wyoming Indian High School uses Chiefs, which is perfect. Dubois Rams accurately describe that town's poster animal.

In Newcastle, they go nuts over their Dogies, which works well for folks along the Texas trail, where millions of cows (and get along, little dogie) were trailed back in the day. Lingle goes a little further with the Doggers.

Torrington sits on the Oregon Trail, hence the Trailblazers. Laramie dominates the high plains, hence the Plainsmen.

Rawlins players are called the Outlaws, which has nothing to do with its location as site of the Wyoming State Prison. By definition, an "outlaw" is an old western term for an ornery horse. Their logo is a nasty bronc. Thanks Rob Black for this information.

Two out-of-state mascot names, which I always loved, are the Belfry Bats in Montana and the Sturgis, South Dakota Scoopers. Not sure what they scooped? Another South Dakota high school is Mitchell, where the Kernels play, based on the famed

Corn Palace there.

Bruce Pozzi up in Anchorage referred me to the Aniak Halfbreeds. Not exactly political correct but yes, that is their nickname.

On a college level, the UW Cowboys mascot name is perfect.

My local college growing up was the Upper Iowa University Peacocks. Huh?

Love the idea of colleges taking their state's historical mottos like Oklahoma Sooners, Indiana's Hoosiers, Iowa's Hawkeyes and Ohio State's Buckeyes.

But back to Wyoming.

Here in Lander, I always thought we should be the Mountaineers or the Pathfinders. When your hometown school has been the Tigers or the Lions or the Panthers for decades, such things are slow to change, if ever.

Wind River Cougars and Pinedale Wranglers are good historical names, as are the Kemmerer Rangers—or the Big Piney Punchers, the Greybull Buffaloes and the

Buffalo Bison. I like the Worland Warriors name because they are in a county named after Chief Washakie.

Veteran Wyoming sports writer Patrick Schmiedt wrote a blog back in 2011 where he cussed and discussed various school names.

His friends thought the Gillette Camels, in Campbell County, to be the worst nickname in the state, but it rolls nicely off the tongue. Not sure where the Evanston Devils came from.

Once upon a time, the biggest mine in Wyoming was at the little town of Sunrise, hence the Guernsey-Sunrise Vikings, which came from the Miners from Sunrise and the Longhorns from Guernsey. This somehow turns out to be Vikings, who are those folks with big horns sticking out of

their hard hats. Okay? I guess it works for them so that's good.

Players of the new Thunder Basin High School in Gillette call themselves the Bolts, I assume because that area generates one heckuva lot of electricity for Wyoming and the rest of the country. It must have been an interesting process coming up with a mascot for an entirely new school. I like (Thunder) Bolts.

Schmiedt wrote about an interesting situation where the new Tongue River school combined the Dayton Elks and the Ranchester Rustlers. He hated to see them give up their wonderful mascot names to adopt The Eagles, which is already used in 1,200 high schools across the country. It is the most common mascot name. He thought Tongue River players should call themselves the Elk Rustlers!

His favorite mascot is at little Eden-Farson, which are the Pronghorns. He said that school is the only high school in the country that uses that nickname. He thought the Carpenter Coyotes were bold to pick a mascot for which there is a bounty for folks who can find them and shoot them, and collect a few bucks along the way.

Several friends sent me hilarious experiences they endured concerning their local schools' mascots. I would like to invite readers to please email me your funniest stories. Thanks in advance. I will publish a future column featuring all these funny stories.

Bill Sniffin is a retired newspaper publisher who has penned a number of books about Wyoming. He appeared for author's receptions at both the Weston County Library and News Letter Journal on December 1. Check out additional columns written by Bill at www.billsniffin.com. and find volumes from his coffee table book series, which have sold over 30,000 copies, for sale at the News Letter Journal.



Bill Sniffin
My Wyoming

Letters to the Editor

We can't expect change to come from cronys

Dear Editor,

During their time in office, the perception was that the Democrats failed to improve the lot of the average working man or restrain the avarice of the one percent. This was probably one of many contributing factors to the rise of Trump. That factor and their evermore obvious relationship with the big banks and Wall Street ended any hope of winning.

Unfortunately, the average voter did not notice that the big financial institutions and Wall Street have a controlling interest in both parties. Hence, the usual oligarchs will continue to harvest tax free profits and sequester them overseas, paying nothing to the socio-economic infrastructure that made it all possible.

As inflation continues to erode the buying power of wages and our 'standard of living' continues to decline, we may begin to wonder, "How did this all happen?"

We thought that our political primary process would 'weed out' the most obvious swindlers and other undesirables. For some reason it

worked out in reverse this time.

It has been all downhill ever since. Besides "Yuge" tax cuts for the wealthy (especially himself) he also intends to take away our Social Security and give it to Wall Street. Medicare and Medicaid goes to the highest bidder—probably the pharmaceutical industry.

Yes, the tax reductions are real enough—for those with the very highest incomes. For the rest of us - not so much. It is hard to pay income tax when you have little or no income.

Certainly not one current beneficiary of the system will be anxious to change anything.

The Koch brothers are our country's, not my, problem. Their munificent support of all things Libertarian is in direct defiance of that part of the Preamble that says: "to promote the general welfare." The only welfare they will be promoting is their own.

In addition to their highly profitable world-wide operations, they also fund and direct many so-called "think tanks." Their main purpose is to develop and implement stratagems to completely control our economy. One

example is ALEC. It is a squadron of Koch lawyers who write "ideal" legislation, which they present and promote to state legislators.

Is this the way democracy and capitalism is supposed to work?

For starters we have a republic, not a democracy. And further, we have cronyism not capitalism. If you don't like that, you will have to change it yourself. You will have to get help.

Cronyism will be fiercely defended by its beneficiaries and they are many—100 in the Senate, many more in the House minus some who got sent home for being naughty.

There are several other countries whose governments treat their citizens far better than we treat ours. Can we come up with any reasonable excuse for letting "cronyism" harvest the fruits of our intellect, education and labor.

While our sick go untreated? While our young go unschooled? While our infrastructure deteriorates? While the (heating) air we breathe threatens our very existence?

Back in the Stone Age, International Business Machine had

a slogan especially appropriate for today— "Think."

We have survived worse attacks on our general well-being, and we will survive this one.

—Jerry Baird

Your cereal may have some killer ingredients

Dear Editor,

This is a quick note about breakfast cereals you may be eating— Cheerios, Lucky Charms, Cocoa Burst and possibly some others.

"Trisodium Phosphate" is the ingredient to look for. This stuff is poison and should *not* be consumed. Also called TSP, it is listed as a heavy duty cleaner to use before painting. This can cause burns, irritation, blurred vision and stomach irritation. It is also used as a de-greaser. The CDC says no one should have contact with it.

Maybe consumers should call Mr. Enzi, Mr. Barraso and Liz Cheney and have them put a stop to all of this.

I understand these cereals are made by General Mills.

Go to YouTube and check this out. Lets protect our children and families.

—Ed Kiesling



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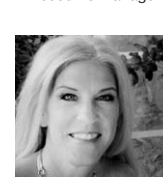
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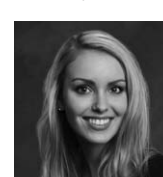
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informed of the parking issue and assured the city that they would park in front of the residence owned by the organization or in the driveway.

Ahlstrom said that because of the subdivision requirements, RENEW will have to vacate the neighborhood.

"We are currently waiting for January to end and to see the current year-to-date loss information," Ahlstrom said.

Peck suggested that council members who are aware of buildings in Newcastle that might fit RENEW's needs should share the information with the organization.

"As a community, we need to help find another location for RENEW. In my opinion, they provide a valuable service," Peck said.

Andersons from Page 1.....

younger man," he said, with a laugh.

Continuing the fun interplay, the Andersons told the story of how they met back in 1961. Bill, a Washington state native, was working logging camps in Alaska with a friend named Slim Benner from South Dakota. Benner was also a friend of Gerldine, and when Bill accompanied Benner home for a visit to Custer, he and Gerldine were introduced. Bill said Benner set him up, dropping him off at Gerldine's before going out for a meal with his girlfriend. Meanwhile, Gerldine fixed Bill a nice chicken dinner, and she hasn't stopped since.



Gerldine and Bill Anderson

"I went over for dinner and never left," Bill said.

"He came along and took me in with all seven kids," Gerldine added.

Gerldine was the seventh of 11 children and a wife herself at age 15. She became a mother of seven by age 28 and a widow shortly after. Gerldine was working at a bakery to support her large family, making a dollar an hour — 42 dollars a week — when she met Bill, a bachelor with no kids of his own.

Bill and Slim stayed across the road from Gerldine with an old bachelor that one of her sons, Jess, had also taken a liking to. Jess, who has since passed away, always liked horses and the cowboy way. When Bill showed up dressed like a logger wearing oxfords and dress pants, Jess commented, "You ain't much of a cowboy, are ya?" The two quickly bonded nonetheless.

At around age 8 or 9, Jess went to town with Bill to spend his \$100 in rodeo earnings. He bought himself jeans, boots and a hat and, with his leftover money, wanted to buy his mother a pair of earrings. With only 25 cents left and earrings worth 75 cents, Jess came up short, but Bill fronted him the money for the jewelry.

"He helped my son buy me a gift before we were ever even dating," Gerldine said, noting she still has the earrings today.

His time in Custer up, Bill went back to work in Alaska for the next two months, but not before heading into town to buy Gerldine a new broom to replace the broken fixture she had been making due with. The broom was the first of many influential gifts that Bill brought to Gerldine and her family.

Bill called Gerldine on a two-way radio from Alaska, but she was not a fan of the technology. The two then exchanged letters the old-fashioned way before Bill sent Gerldine a plane ticket to meet him in Seattle. While Gerldine settled his youthful wild side, Bill challenged her to adventure after adventure, starting with her first plane ride.

"She was a hick!" Bill exclaimed, with another chuckle. "She was scared to death when she landed in Seattle."

"Oh, man, when I landed in Seattle — I had never been to a big city. There were so many people," Gerldine recalled, still in awe of the experience. "You don't want to know what I was thinking. I didn't know what I was going to do if I didn't see Bill."

With many people to care for, Gerldine then admitted that she prepared her family before she left Custer for a possible plane crash, and laid out what they should do if she never returned. Gerldine made it home, however, and she made it home in style. Bill bought a new yellow car in Seattle, and the two road-tripped home to Custer before marrying in 1963.

With five kids still at home, the couple had their hands full. Gerldine joked that having Bill move in "was just like raising another kid." But all kidding aside, she is grateful for his influence on her children.

"I assume there would have been some ren-

egades in my family if he hadn't come along," Gerldine acknowledged, explaining that she was known for giving in, and Bill stepped in as a disciplinarian.

Gerldine added that when Bill moved in, she had one light bulb in each room of her three-room house and no running water. Bill put in running water, and the two gradually made a comfortable life for themselves and the family. The couple eventually moved to Newcastle, and Bill worked at the mines. The pair traveled all around on their motorcycle together, took a trip to Nashville, and visited many other places. Gerldine even wrote a book for her family to document her life. Only a few years ago, the pair enjoyed a hot air balloon ride over Custer.

Now, they are retired and simply enjoying each other's company. When someone invites Bill to grab a meal or a cup of coffee, she said, he won't go unless she goes along.

"I like to be with her. She's my best friend," Bill simply stated.

Gerldine and Bill still keep in regular touch with her children, 20 grandchildren and the many great-grandchildren. The family gets together every five years for a family reunion of about 100 people. Bill still spoils Gerldine often with gifts and jewelry to remind her how special she is to him. Through Gerldine's two bouts of cancer and two strokes and a serious work-related injury for Bill, the two have kept each other going.

"I just knew I had to keep going because I never give up — even now!" she said with a feisty shake of her fist.

Bill and Gerldine are often seen walking around town, hand in hand, still obviously crazy for each other. They say their key to a happy marriage is to treat your spouse like a friend, and never keep secrets from each other. The Andersons live that true meaning of love.

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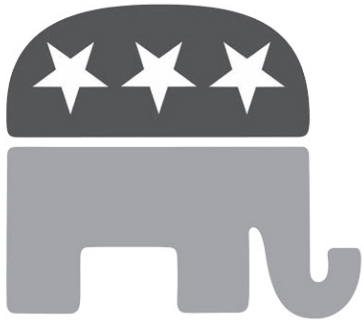
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3-1	5	5-3	8

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Obituaries

JOHN MAX BUMGARNER March 25, 1955—Jan. 28, 2018



John Bumgarner

John Bumgarner, 62, of Upton and Anchorage, Alaska, died suddenly on Jan. 28, 2018. He was born March 25, 1955, in Anchorage.

John was raised in Alaska and graduated from Service High School in 1973. Throughout most of his adult life John worked at Noble Mechanical, an Anchorage sheet metal business owned by his parents, William and Georgina Bumgarner. After William's retirement in 1992, John operated the business with his brother, Warren. He was a lifetime member of the Alaska Southcentral/Southeastern Sheet Metal Workers Local Union 23.

John was married to Catherine Johnson in Anchorage, and together they had one daughter, Tracy, in April 1977. After they divorced, John married Laurie (Gochanour, Ratliff) Fleming in 1981, becoming stepfather to her daughter, Wendy Marie Ratliff.

He was a skilled sheet metal worker and pilot. Together, he and Laurie — with the help of dear family and friends — built a cabin in Alaska, accessible by airplane or snowmachine. It was one of his favorite places to be.

In 2010, John and Laurie bought ranch land in Upton, Wyo., where they built their dream retirement home and began learning the business of cattle ranching from their many kind neighbors and friends along Sundown Trail. They spent the next several years between Wyoming and Alaska, where John was a tremendous help to his father-in-law, Boyd Gochanour and his wife Mary Ann.

John's family and friends said, "John was one of the most generous people you will ever meet. He would do anything at all to help his family, his neighbors and his friends, and was a devoted husband to Laurie. He also had a warm, witty sense of humor and was sure to make everyone laugh. John was always great with kids; he kept them giggling, and was a father figure to the children of family friends. He will be missed beyond words."

Survivors include his wife, Laurie Bumgarner of Upton and Anchorage; daugh-

ters, Tracy Thompson and Wendy (Robert) Haverfield, both of Anchorage; brother, Warren (Cyndi) Bumgarner of Big Lake, Alaska; sisters, Linda (John) Schwamm of Arizona and Lori (Mark) Haynes of Anchorage; father-in-law, Boyd (Mary Ann) Gochanour of Big Lake; mother-in-law, Donna Gochanour of Newcastle; brothers-in-law, Kevin Gochanour of Newcastle, and Randall (Dou) Gochanour of Wasilla, Alaska; sister-in-law, Amy (Dan) Runestad of Custer, S.D.; aunt, Ruth (John) Swank of Oregon; uncles, Robert (Jane) Sullivan and Lyle (Kay) Sullivan, both of California, and Kenny Lancaster of Soldotna, Alaska; grandchildren, Kandus (Garren) Lee, Jashawa Lamb, Kaeyln Barlow, Christopher Thompson and Kara Thompson, all of Anchorage; great-grandchildren, Presley Oxholm and Keilani Lee, both of Anchorage; and numerous nieces and nephews.

John was preceded in death by his parents, William Carl and Georgina L. (Sullivan) Bumgarner; his birth parents, James and Joanie (Lancaster) Bumgarner; his half-sister, Jamee Bumgarner; uncle, Jack Bumgarner; aunts, Iris Bumgarner and Helen Fay; and grandparents, Noble and Alice Bumgarner, and George and Vera Sullivan.

Funeral Services will be held Feb. 10 at 1 p.m., at First United Methodist Church in Newcastle, with a reception at the church following. A Celebration of Life will also be held at a later date in Alaska. In lieu of flowers, his family requests that donations be made to St. Jude's in John's memory.

Kinkadee Funeral Chapel in Sturgis, S.D., was in charge of the arrangements.

LAVONNE L. FRIED

July 27, 1916—February 2, 2018



LaVonne Fried

LaVonne L. "Grandma Bonnie" Fried, 101, of Newcastle, Wyo., passed away Feb. 2, 2018, with family at her side. She was born July 27, 1916, in Devil's Lake, N.D., the daughter of Henry and Pearl White. Bonnie was raised in Devil's Lake where she met the

love of her life, "her Jim." The couple was married in 1940, remaining married for 61

years until Jim's death in 2001. Bonnie then lived on the Fried homestead at Fried, N.D., 10 miles north of Jamestown, where she and Jim had three children. After leaving the farm, Bonnie raised her family, supported Jim in his work endeavors, and later began selling women's clothing. Bonnie and Jim and their family then lived in various cities throughout North Dakota and Minnesota before moving to Billings, Mont. While living in Billings, Bonnie worked at the Eastern Montana College Bookstore, and earned an associate's degree in business. Before leaving Billings, Bonnie and Jim worked together at MetraPark Arena. Bonnie and Jim then moved to Sheridan, Wyo., where Bonnie returned to the retail clothing business. In later years, Jim and Bonnie moved to Newcastle, where they resided until their deaths.

Bonnie joined the Fargo, N.D., Grand Chapter of Eastern Star. While living in Fargo, Bonnie served as the Worthy Mother of Rainbow Girls, where her daughters were members. Bonnie was very proud to become an Honorary Member of Eastern Star Mecca Chapter #5 after having remained with the Fargo Chapter for 50 years. Bonnie was always proud of having graduated from Devil's Lake High School, having attended her 50th and 70th Class Reunions. Bonnie also belonged to "Red Hats" in Newcastle, where she especially loved wearing one of her many red hats.

Bonnie enjoyed spending time with her family. She liked traveling with Jim, reading the newspaper front-to-back, loved to sew, play cards, and paint. Her favorite pastime, though, was dancing! Bonnie thoroughly enjoyed occasions which involved her children, grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and more recently her great-great grandson.

Survivors include her son, Jim (Mary) of Helena, Mont.; daughters, Carole (William) of Billings, and Barbara Murphy (Joe) of Newcastle. Also surviving Bonnie are her grandchildren, great-grandchildren, and great-great grandson: Tom Murphy (Tracy) and their children, Hannah, Mallory, and Teien; Carrie Murphy, her son Kolby, daughter Madison (Sean) and their son Jeremiah; Brandy (Keith) and their children Zachary and McKenzie; and

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February 9 Genesis 45:1-28	February 13 Genesis 49:29-50:26
February 10 Genesis 46:1-34	February 14 Psalms 51
February 11 Genesis 47:1-31	<i>Scriptures Selected by the American Bible Society</i>

- **ASSEMBLY OF GOD CHURCH:** Rev. Norm Brotzman, 216 S. Seneca, 746-2249. Call to Worship 9:30 am; Children's Church during Call to Worship; Faith Rally Sunday 6 pm.
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- **OUR SAVIOR CHURCH:** Pastors Doug and Frezil Westerlund, Weston County Fairgrounds. Service Sundays 9:30 am. 605-515-3058.
- **FIRST UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Pastor Michael Jarrell, 23 N. Seneca, 746-4119. Adult Bible Study 8:45 am; Traditional Church Services 10 am; 10:15 am Children's Church; 11:30 a.m. Casual Worship Service, Youth Group Sunday evenings 5:30-7:00 p.m.
- **GATEWAY FELLOWSHIP:** Pastor Jon Andersen, Evangelical Free Church meets at the Weston County Senior Services; Sunday School 9:30 am; Worship 11 am. Call 746-8091.
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- **NEWCASTLE FOURSQUARE CHURCH:** Pastor Mick Bohn, 1525 S. Summit, 746-3618. Sun. Worship 10 am; Wed. Night Prayer.
- **OSAGE COMMUNITY CHURCH:** 348 Sheridan St. in Osage, 465-2341. Sunday School 10 am; Worship 11 am and 6 pm.
- **SEVENTH-DAY ADVENTIST:** Pastor Chuck Gadow 303-229-3103, 78 Old Hwy 85 and Pastoral Assistant Matt Dooley 949-0831. Saturday Sabbath School 9:30 am; Worship 11:00 am.
- **ST. ANTHONY'S CATHOLIC CHURCH:** Father Tim Martinson, Upton. Sunday Mass 11:30 am.
- **VICTORY NEW TESTAMENT CHURCH:** Rev. Theodore L. Halls, 414 Pine, 746-4366.
- **UPTON UNITED METHODIST CHURCH:** Rev. Sharee Johnson, 834 Pine, Upton, 468-9302. Worship 10 am; Fellowship 10 am; Adult Study 10:30 am; 1st & 3rd Wed Evenings Prayer and Praise Service 7 pm. August 7, 14, and 21 church is at 9am. August 28--no church in Upton, worship is at 11am at Rev Johnson's home in Custer. September 4th and all sundays following, 9am Sunday School. 10am Worship, 11am Fellowship, and 11:30 Bible Study.

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~ Psalms 51:10

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Tauna (Kiel) and their children Joshua and Caleb.

Bonnie was preceded in death by her husband, Jim; parents, Henry and Pearl White; her sisters, Eldora, Joe, and Nora; her brother, Vernon; nephews, Fritz, Charles, Mark and Steve; and her great-granddaughter, Chava Norah.

Funeral services were held in Newcastle at Worden's Funeral Home, followed by burial in the Mausoleum at the Sunset Memorial Gardens in Billings.

The family suggests donations to Weston County Health Services Foundation Friends, 1124 Washington Blvd., Newcastle, WY 82701.

JAMES A. PIANA
Aug. 22, 1921—Jan. 29, 2018



James Piana

James A. Piana passed away Jan. 29, 2018, at Ft. Meade Hospice Center in Sturgis, SD. Jim was born Aug. 22, 1921, at his child-

hood home, 421 West Main in Newcastle, to Italian immigrants, Agostino and Irene Piana. Jim was raised in Newcastle attending public schools. Jim was a member of the 115th Calvary, Wyoming, and because of the national mobilization of all troops for World War II, he was unable to attend his high school graduation in 1939.

While at Ft. Lewis, Wash., his commanding officers realized his exceptional leadership potential and sent him to the 2nd Officers Candidate School. Jim graduated as a second lieutenant in Class #2, Ft Hood, Texas, in 1941, and was initially assigned as the regimental motor officer. Once in combat, Jim served many months behind enemy lines as a recon officer for units under the command of Generals Jim Gavin and George S. Patton. These units included: the 605 Tank Destroyer Battalion, 101st Airborne Division, 771 Tank Battalion, and for British troops under Field Marshall Montgomery.

After VE Day, Jim was separated from active service as a captain in May of 1946, at Camp Carson, Colo., where he was being treated for wounds suffered during the war.

Upon returning home, Jim was instrumental in owning and operating many businesses in Weston County, including the Western Bar in Upton, Culligan Soft Water Service, KASL Radio, Weston County Abstract & Title, and later A-1 Agency. In

1954, Jim married Joan Martin of Hot Springs, S.D. To that union, three children were born: Paul, Jean and Patti.

Jim was involved in many civic organizations over the years. He was a long-time supporter of the Boy Scouts of America, and was council president and received the BSA's Silver Beaver Award for exceptional character and distinguished service after being a 30-year-plus member of the executive board. Jim was a member of Corpus Christi Catholic Church in Newcastle, and was the longest serving member of Knights of Columbus. He was also the longest serving member of Newcastle Lions, and a life member of the VFW and was the eldest volunteer fireman of the Newcastle Volunteer Fire Department. He was a past president of the Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce, one of the founding members of the Newcastle Country Club and the Sunset Arena Prayer Meetings.

Jim is survived by his son, Paul (Deb) of Newcastle, and daughters Jean Piana of Riverton, Wyo., and Patti Smith (Mike) of Newcastle. Also surviving Jim are six grandchildren, Karn Piana of Santa Fe, N.M., James Piana of Golden, Colo., Carrie Farnsworth (Paul), Casey Smith, and Amanda Smith, all of Newcastle, and Lindsey Jacox (Donny) Eagle, Colo.; 10 great-grandchildren, Ashton Alarid, Caley Alarid, Canyon Farnsworth, Alexia Lopez, Ariel Lopez and Amora Villamil, and his newest great-grandchild, baby Patti Smith, all of Newcastle, and Mikey, Luke and Cody Jacox of Eagle.

He is preceded in death by his wife Joan, his parents, and his brother, Paul Piana.

A memorial service will be held Saturday, Feb. 17, at 10 a.m. at the Corpus Christi Catholic Church, Newcastle, with Father Tim Martinson officiating.

In lieu of flowers, a memorial has been established to the VA Ft. Meade Hospice Center.

KAY C. STABNOW
May 17, 1934—Jan. 28, 2018



Kay Stabnow

Funeral services for Kay C. Stabnow will be held at 10 a.m. on Saturday, Feb. 10, at Family Life Church with Pastor Marty Crump officiating; interment to follow at Newcastle Cemetery.

Mrs. Kay C. Stabnow, formerly Mrs. Kay C. Patterson, age 83, went home to be with

the Lord on Jan. 28, 2018, in Jackson, Tenn. She had been living with her daughter, Valery Freese, in Milan, Tenn., these past five years while bravely battling with dementia.

Kay was born May 17, 1934, in Red Elm, S.D., to Ole and Ella Quam. She was the oldest of three siblings, all of whom have preceded her in death. Kay married James H. Patterson in Newcastle on Aug. 4, 1951. They were married 35 years until his death in 1986. In 1989, she married again to Merle Stabnow. They were married until his death in 1997. During her years in Gillette, Kay was a valued employee of Decker's Food Center where she was both the Bakery and Deli manager for many years. She was a dedicated and tireless worker with an incredible work ethic. She enjoyed spending her retirement years commuting between Wyoming in the summer and Arizona in the winter, where she would host many Gillette friends on her property in Quartzite. She was a loving, outgoing person, and even in retirement she could be found working in the Pie Wagon serving the other retirees her delicious pies, or waiting tables at Sweet Darlene's. She was an avid RV traveler, snowmobiler, skier, card player, cook, baker, famous fighter of dirt, hostess to anyone who needed a bed and visitor to the shut-in. She was someone who truly never met a stranger, and never failed to invite a guest in for dinner.

Kay is survived by her two children, Kirby J. Patterson of Colorado Springs, Colo., and Valery L. Freese of Milan. She is also survived by seven grandchildren, seven great-grandchildren, several step-grandchildren and her two step-sons, Leland Stabnow of Gillette, and Monty Stabnow of Blackhawk, S.D. In lieu of flowers it would be her wish that you simply invite someone to your home for a meal and share the love of the Lord.

Memorials and condolences may be sent in care of Gillette Memorial Chapel, 210 West 5th Street, Gillette, WY 82716. Condolences may also be expressed at www.gillette-memorialchapel.com.

MARK PHILLIP WATSON
Feb. 13, 1956—Jan. 26, 2018



Mark Watson

Mark Phillip Watson, 61, died Jan. 26, 2018, at his residence in Osage, Wyo. He was born Feb. 13, 1956, in

Rapid City, S.D., to Phillip S. and Doris J (Marty) Watson and lived in Keystone, S.D., until his parents moved to Osage when he was 13 years old. His parents ran Watson's Market for many years.

Mark attended grade school at Osage Kitty Moats School, then graduated from Upton High School in 1975.

In 1979, he married Tammy Sewell, and later divorced. He then married Kim Grover on Feb. 14, 1988, in Belle Fourche, S.D., and gained a son, Travis Singleton.

Right after high school he worked for the Clay Spur Bentonite Plant, then migrated to the oil field. He was employed by Exeter, Townsend Company and Updike Brothers. After those adventures he embarked on his truck driving career. He was employed by Terry Johnson Trucking for many years before going to drive for Aulick Leasing based out of Scottsbluff, Neb. He treasured all his trucking pals and the adventures they had.

His family said, "He enjoyed woodworking and being very creative, and absolutely loved to tease his brother Timmy and his chicken ranch. These two carried on forever and it was very entertaining. We will miss the banter. He was a big supporter of and groundskeeper of the Kitty Moats Complex. He helped build and take care of the structure, and one of his greatest hopes was that it would be a success, and it has been."

Mark was preceded in death by his parents, Phillip and Doris Watson; his step-father, Jack Zimmerman; his brother, Robert Watson; and his sister, LaVonne James. He is survived by his wife, Kim; one son, Travis and Deetta Singleton; five grandchildren, Brooklyn, Tanner, Jerry Lee, Tristain and Shyenne; two great-grandchildren; three brothers, Steve and Shinobu Watson, Douglas and Leeann Cox-Watson, and Leslie and Vicki Zimmerman; as well as numerous nieces and nephews.

Celebration of Life will be held at Kitty Moats Complex, 551 Metz St. in Osage on Saturday, Feb. 17, at 2 p.m. Refreshments will follow the services.

Arrangements are under the care of Black Hills Funeral Home of Sturgis, S.D., www.blackhillsfuneralhome.com. In lieu of flowers a memorial has been established for the Kitty Moats Complex. Donations can be sent to P.O. Box 6, Moorcroft, WY 82721.

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Weston County Meetings & Events Calendar

	TIME	EVENT	LOCATION
Thurs 08	12:00 p.m. 5:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Upton Chamber Meeting Newcastle City Planning Commission AA Meeting	Beans & Bistro City Council Chambers WC Senior Center, Family Room
Fri 09	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Cinnamon Rolls Bingo	WC Senior Center VFW Hall
Mon 12	12:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	AARP Meeting WC Fair Board Meeting WC Sportsmans Club Meeting AA Meeting	WC Senior Center WC Fairgrounds Shooting Range WC Senior Center, Family Room
Tues 13	12:00 p.m. 1:00 p.m. 3:00 p.m. 5:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:00 p.m. 6:30 p.m.	Alzheimers/Dementia Support Group Artful Gals WC Natural Resource Dist. Meeting Shrove Tuesday Pancake Supper American Legion WC Humane Society Meeting WC Search and Rescue	WC Senior Center Senior Housing USDA Building Episcopal Church Hall Armory Shelter Fire Hall
Wed 14	1:00 p.m. 4:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	Creative Handicraft Group Understanding Islam From the Outside Mallo Camp Board WCSD #1 Board Meeting	WC Senior Center Weston County Library WC Public Health Meeting Room Administration Building
Thurs 15	6:00 p.m. 7:00 p.m.	WC Health Services Board Meeting AA Meeting	Board Room WC Senior Center, Family Room
Fri 16	9:00 a.m. 7:00 p.m.	Cinnamon Rolls Bingo	WC Senior Center VFW Hall

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For a complete listing of events, for more information on these events, or to list your own event, visit the Chamber website at newcastlewyo.com

Birthdays & Anniversaries

Feb 08
Dorothy Christensen
Jeri Tapp
Feb 09
Cheyenne Bloom
Preslee Fitzwater
Feb 10
James H. Dixon
Feb 13
Chace Peterson

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For the Ages

News Letter Journal

Moving up Main Street

By Bri Brasher
with Leonard Cash
NLJ Reporter

Leonard Cash continued recounting the history of Newcastle's Main Street buildings, moving into Block 7, Lot 13, the space that is now home to Ramsey Real Estate. A man by the name of Henry Leppla bought the land on the east side of Annette and Jerry Koester's building—discussed in the past two issues of the News Letter Journal—on Dec. 5, 1892, according to records at the Weston County Courthouse.

The initial building's exact date of construction is unknown, but Cash speculated that it was constructed sometime in 1893.

Much like the other historic buildings lining Newcastle's Main Street, the one-story framed building has seen its fair share of occupants over the years.

"In the early days, the building was home to a barber-shop, pool hall and café," said Cash, adding that Leppla had both the Palace Barber Shop and a pool hall in the building. The building next housed a grocery and dry goods store in 1896. In 1903, the building was a restaurant and, in 1907, a barbershop and pool hall.

James F. Hart bought the building in 1910. Hart was an interesting fellow who dabbled in many different industries, offered Cash.

"That guy—you never knew what he was going to do! He was a barber, but whenever he needed more money, he'd sell the barbershop and go into another business before going back to barbering," said Cash. "He was also said to have been the first Ford dealer in Wyoming. I think his middle name was actually Franklin, but he told everyone that it was Ford."

Next on the timeline is Mrs. H. S. Slie, who leased the building from Hart from June 1917 to May of 1919. Slie rented the building to W.H. Jackson, who then bought the building a few months after the lease was up in 1920, according to courthouse records. Jackson had a pool hall and café aptly named Past Time Pool Hall.

Jackson sold "soft drinks" during Prohibition.

Records of a sheriff's deed show that in December 1925, Jackson defaulted on his loan of \$2,000 from Weston County Bank, and the sheriff, acting as the mediator in the proceedings, turned the building over to the bank.

"Weston County Bank went out of business in 1924, so they probably just foreclosed on all of their loans," Cash speculated.

In July 1926, the bank still owned the building until the widow Lillian Fullerton purchased the property on July 14, 1926.

Via quitclaim deed, Fullerton then transferred ownership to Elizabeth J. Jackson, also a widow, in 1927. Shortly thereafter, Jackson sold to a Mr. Joseph E. Simmons and a Mrs. Frances S. Simmons, on Oct. 9, 1928, as recorded in public records. The business housed in the building during this time is unknown to Cash. The Simmons sold to Rosco Michaels and Leigh S. Wade on Dec. 30, 1929, and the two used the property for a pool hall and café.

According to a Nov. 9, 1933, News Letter Journal article titled "Fire Destroyed Five Buildings," a fire leveled half of the business district block. A definite cause of the fire could not be established. Cash said that the fire burned from Lot 13 to Lot 18, taking down five Main Street businesses. He added that the fire was put out when it hit the more resistant brick buildings; otherwise the entire block would have been wiped out.

There was nothing left of the building on Lot 13 after the fire. According to records, Wade sold out of his partnership in the building in December 1935, which left Michaels as sole owner of the property.

"Maybe that's why Wade sold out — there was nothing left," Cash said.

The lot was cleaned up soon after the blaze but remained empty until 1939 when, according to a News Letter Journal article, construction began on a new structure, which still stands today.

What started out as a dry goods and grocery store, a barber shop and pool hall, and many other businesses, the building on Block 7's Lot 13 later housed Weston County's senior center for many years. The history of the building will continue on in next week's issue of the News Letter Journal.



Recapture A PIECE OF HISTORY

February 10, 1893
Harry Warrington was down from Cambria Thursday evening.

Adolph Kochman sold his house & lot on Summit Street to Henry Leppla the first of the week.

W.J. Pye the painter & paper hanger who has been sick for the past two weeks is now able to be around again.

The water supply was entirely shut off Thursday evening cause by pipes being frozen between Cambria and the reservoir.

Martin A. McCall a young man whose parents live in West Duluth, Minn., has disappeared and his parents have arrived in Cheyenne in search of him.

D.W. Roderick & family left last Friday evening for Washington, where they expect to make their future home. Mr. Roderick was one of the pioneers of Newcastle, moving his stock of groceries from Tubbtown to this place in September 1889. His family has been quite active in the church work. And will be missed by a large circle of friends.

February 14, 1918
Senator John B. Kendrick arrived in Newcastle Tuesday evening from Sheridan and was met at the train by a party of citizens who escorted him to the Antlers Hotel, where a collaborate dinner was served, after which the party repaired to the city hall, where Senator delivered one of the most interesting addresses heard in this city, about the war in Europe.

Mrs. Frank Fawcett, who has been quite ill at her rooms in the Noyes Flat, is reported getting better.

Arthur Jefferies came up from his farmstead yesterday with a load of chickens for market. Art says "biddy no lay, no keep."

Undertaker Loyd Nichols and A.M. Nichols went to the Laramie Mountain

Ranch yesterday to bring in the remains of the infant child of Mr. & Mrs. E.T. Turner.

Mrs. Mono Gettys & little daughter came in from the ranch last Saturday and spent a few days in town visiting relatives & friends.

W.J. Dixon & A.D. Flores shoveled their way to town Monday through snow drifts, slush, & ice gorges from the Cheyenne River. The gentlemen started in Mr. Dixon's car, but they walked more of the distance than they rode owing to the deep snow which staled the big automobile many times and all there was left to do was "shovel out," and the boys shoveled.

February 11, 1943
As a benefit to soldiers at Fort Francis E. Warren, Newcastle ladies have been asked to supply cookies to the U.S.O. center at the fort, March 1st through March 8th.

Mr. & Mrs. Noah E. Mumper left Sunday for Tobar, Iowa, after receiving word of the

death of Mrs. Mumper's mother there. They expect to be away for several days.

Jean Vinzant of the oil field spend Tuesday night with Phyllis McCullum at Clay Spur.

Mrs. Lee Ertle was a Newcastle shopper Wednesday.

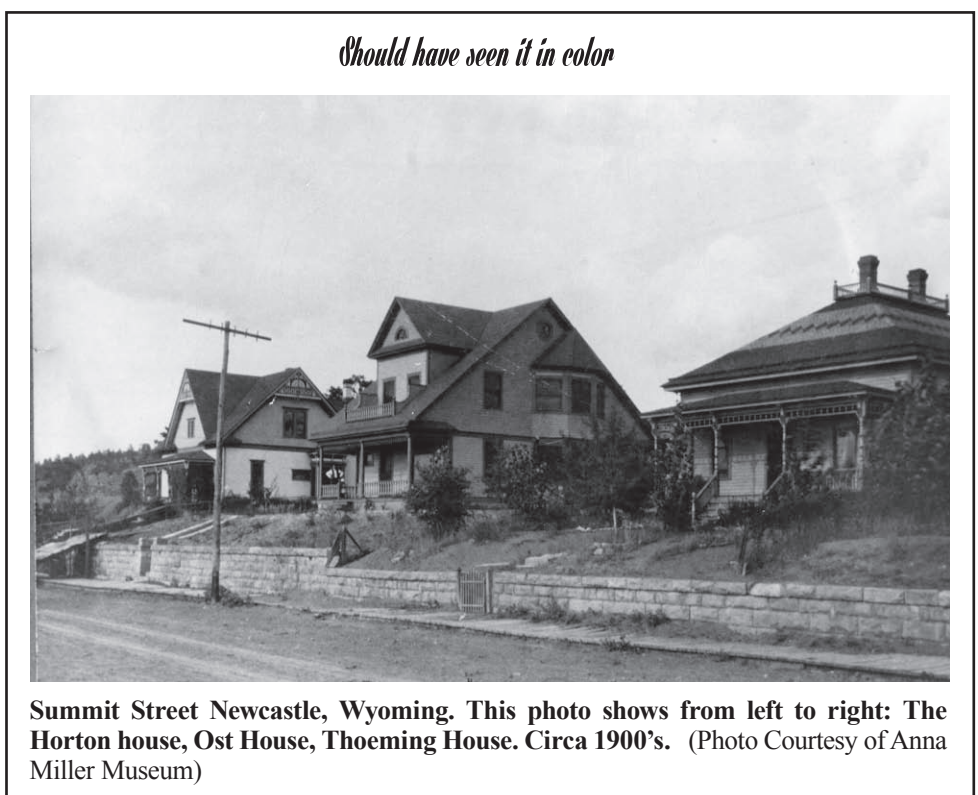
Word was received in Upton that Uncle Dub Meek was taken from the home of Mrs. Kenney to the hospital and is in failing health.

John Novak & small son called at the Prairie Store Monday.

William Whitney, son of Mr. & Mrs. P.H. Whitney, left Monday for Denver, Colorado, & San Antonio, Texas, to begin training as an aviator.

Local Red Cross officiates urge persons making sweaters to turn them in by the end of March.

Production-Conservation-Service will be the three-fold goal of the 4-H Club members during 1943.



Summit Street Newcastle, Wyoming. This photo shows from left to right: The Horton house, Ost House, Thoeming House. Circa 1900's. (Photo Courtesy of Anna Miller Museum)

Senior Happenings			
WC Senior Services			
February 9		Valentine's Day	6 p.m.
Rolls	9 a.m.	Osteo Exercise	2 p.m.
Blood Pressure Check	9:30 a.m.	Manor Here For Lunch	6:15 p.m.
Bridge Ladies	1 p.m.	Creative Handcrafts After Lunch	
February 12		Bridge Group	11 a.m.
Osteo Exercise	9 a.m.	Card Class	2 p.m.
AARP	1 p.m.	February 15	6 p.m.
February 13		Trip to the Lodge	11 a.m.
VA Breakfast	8 a.m.	Dominos	10:30 a.m.
Dementia Support Group	10:30 a.m.	Manor	2 p.m.
Dominos	1 p.m.	February 9	
Artful Gals	1 p.m.	Greedy	10:30 a.m.
February 14		Bingo	2 p.m.
		Movie	6 p.m.
		February 10	
		Name Ten	11 a.m.
		Movie	2 p.m.
		Bingo	6 p.m.
		February 11	
		Laughter Group	11 a.m.
		Church	2 p.m.
		February 12	
		Wii	10:30 a.m.
		Cooking	3 p.m.
		Bingo	6 p.m.
		February 13	
		Ceramics	10:30 a.m.
		Mardi Gras Party	2 p.m.
		Cards	6:15 p.m.
		February 14	
		Valentine's Day	
		Catholic Study	10 a.m.
		Crossword	10:30 a.m.
		Bingo	2 p.m.
		Sweethearts Dinner	5 p.m.
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Yasmin Frank, new owner of the Short Stop, Tobi Johansen of RT Communications and Tom Frank, also of the Short Stop enjoy a friendly game of poker with dealer Garrett Borton of Renegade Paint and Pipes, the Chamber's new vice-president at the Newcastle Area Chamber of Commerce's Annual Banquet Friday night at the Weston County Events Center. The business community was treated to an evening full of Vegas style gaming, the new Chamber Board of Directors was introduced and Business of the Year was awarded to 21 Electric. (Photo by Bob Bonnar/NLJ)

There's a new tow truck driver in town



Jason Dean recently added a 'second job' with a new towing business, ASAP Towing. The project came about when he began offering free assistance to those in need. He can be reached at 307-941-0193. (Submitted photo)

Abby Gray
For NLJ

Whether it be cutting down trees, plowing snow for those who need some assistance, mowing yards for those who fall behind, or caring for his ever-growing family, Jason Dean is quite the busy individual. However, he managed to find some room in that busy schedule of his when he recently started up a tow-truck business.

"You know, I kind of just do whatever I can to try to help out. I sell firewood, and this year I ended up just giving some away because people were cold and needed it, but couldn't really afford it. So I just do whatever I can to help out," Dean noted.

Though he cites towing as his second job, he was somewhat forced into the role, and his services are actually free of charge. Jason explained that he came into the business after his father died a year ago. His father had many beautiful, old cars, and Dean did not want others to end up with them. So, he did what he had to do and bought himself a tow-truck to be able to transport the cars himself without causing any damage to them.

"My dad just taught me

everything I know, so those cars are special to me, I didn't want anybody else to get them," Dean explained.

He said word eventually spread about his tow truck and his willingness to help out people who needed assistance, but that led to a report being filed with authorities complaining about the service he provided.

"People thought I was trying to compete with other towing companies in the community, so I was called into the state," Dean nodded.

Dean did what it took in order to keep his tow truck up and running, and now just uses it to help those in need. Recently, an Amazon delivery driver broke down quite some way out of town, so he went and picked her up, then boasted about what an awesome experience it was to take those boxes to the post office.

"She told me she had a ton of boxes to bring with her that wouldn't fit. I told her I could just put them on the truck and take them into town for her, so I was able to go deliver boxes to the post office. It was pretty cool," Dean beamed.

Dean's towing business is unique for more than just delivering boxes. He is also com-

pletely free of charge whenever somebody calls him needing a tow. However, he notes that people generally give him some money, because they know it's not free for him to provide the service. He also claims that he was not intending on this becoming a full-fledged business, and he welcomes any help from those who would be willing.

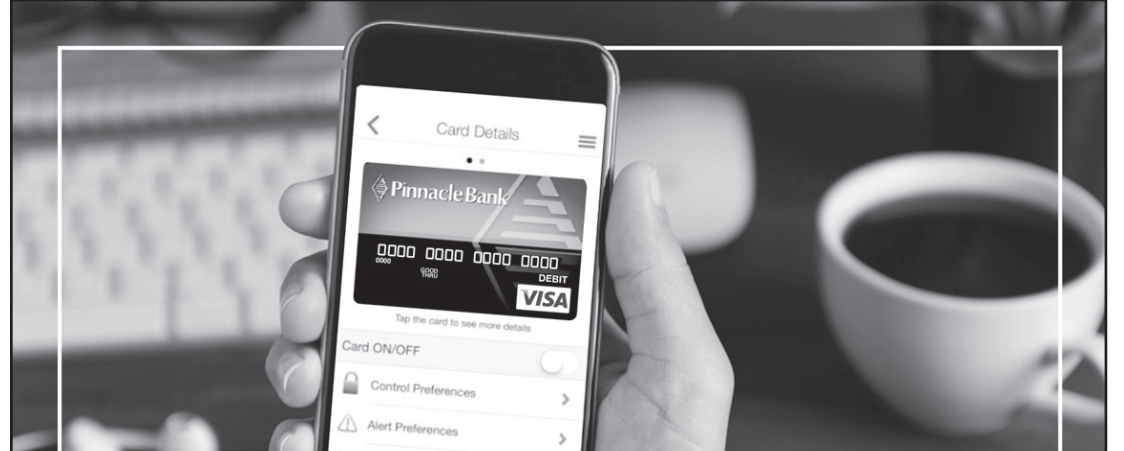
"I do have quite a bit going on, and it does get kind of hectic, so I think it would be super cool to work with anybody else in the community who has a tow truck and wants to team up," he declared.

Though he does have quite a full plate, he wants it to be known that he is more than willing to help anybody in need, and would encourage anyone to get in touch with him.

"I'm just here to help the community in any way that I can, and I just want to let them know they have options!"

Dean would love to put those options on display this year, and a rumored "tow truck battle" during RPM Days this summer could provide a little excitement and, perhaps, help create a local rivalry.

"Wouldn't that be pretty awesome?!" Dean mused.



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Hunt

from Page 1..... wildlife biologist, became involved with the foundation about five years ago, after his former boss enlisted his help to find places on the east side of the state to bring the hunters. Sandrini has since taken on the job of coordinating the hunts with locals who guide the children on area ranches with the goal of harvesting deer and antelope.

Sandrini said that the “Wyoming Safari” initially included an elk, but noted that elk are a harder animal to harvest. Because of the children’s varying abilities, only one child was able to fill an elk tag, while many enjoyed success with the slightly smaller game animals.

“All of the kids have been able to fill their antelope and deer tags,” Sandrini said.

The kids come to Wyoming with their families around the second week of November, when all hunting seasons are open and the kids are able to fill all the tags. The families stay for about a week.

According to Sandrini, the Wyoming hunt is unique, compared with others across the country, because it is not sponsored by outfitters. The children are encouraged to harvest the best animal possible, whether they want the biggest trophy or to shoot the first animal they see.

The Wyoming Legislature has helped in the effort by setting aside hunting licenses for kids (age 20 and younger) who are eligible for the hunt.

“They saw fit to set aside tags for these people so they don’t have to go through the draw,” Sandrini said.

The organization’s founder, Brad Jones, reported that the state is a “big player” in his foundation because of this. The foundation pays all the expenses associated with the trip and local guides and ranchers donate their time and land to help the children harvest their dream animal, according to Jones.

Jim Perino, owner of the Gold Bar Ranch, became involved with the foundation about four years ago and allows the young hunters to use his land to harvest their animals.

“I wanted to provide a place for kids to go in and complete their dream hunt. ... I give them my ranch – without other hunters – so they have a better chance to harvest an animal. I do one a



Hunter Jacob Bryant is all grins with Joe Sandrini and his stepfather Mike Griffin after he was able to harvest an antelope on his 2016 trip to Wyoming through the Outdoor Dream Foundation. (Submitted photo)

year,” Perino said. “I probably get more out of it than they do. It is a wonderful heartwarming thing I can do. It is nice to see the smiles on the kids faces and see them enjoy the outdoors.”

Jason Nahrgang, who owns the Angel Inn Ranch, also allows the hunters to use his land. He has been involved with three foundation hunts. But he said several young people hunted on his land before he became officially involved with the foundation.

“The ranch has been in my family for going on 50 years and is an established working cattle ranch, but there are lots of opportunities for hunters and other outdoor pursuits. My late father originally came up with the idea, piggy-backing on Joe, and when my dad passed away, I wanted to continue his legacy. It was his dream to get the youth involved and make opportunities for them that they may not have otherwise,” Nahrgang said.

He noted that Sandrini is the catalyst behind the foundation’s activities in this area and that the foundation is

the type of organization his ranch wants to be involved with.

“They are the type of entity that makes dreams come true. They bring young people out that may not have a lot of time left, and really as the name implies, they make dreams come true,” Nahrgang said.

He said that seeing the look in the children’s eyes gives him significant personal satisfaction. He also loves seeing that the land and game animals are so well managed that ranchers can share it with young people who might otherwise never see an elk or mule deer.

“I have a deep connection with the land, and I want to connect with other people that want to experience it the way we have for almost 50 years. I wish I could do more,” Nahrgang said.

Nahrgang called Sandrini “a fantastic ambassador for the state of Wyoming” for his work with the program and bringing people to the Black Hills area.

Other people who are familiar with the land also donate their time and

effort to help the foundation by guiding the hunts and helping the young hunters harvest their dream animal.

Dean Kettley helped guide his first hunt this year and plans to guide others as long as his help is needed.

“It is really a fun thing for everyone involved; they really enjoy it,” said Kettley, who added that the program is important because it helps kids experience the outdoors and make decisions about what animal they want to harvest. Kettley said that he also gets personal satisfaction from the experience.

Dick Terry, district forester for the Newcastle area with the Wyoming State Forestry Division, who was a hunt guide for 20 years, was contacted by Sandrini to help guide the hunts and has since guided two kids on their hunts.

Terry said he likes sharing his knowledge of the area and that guiding the hunts is something he can do to give back to those who are less fortunate.

“The families come out with the kids, and it gives them some time

About Outdoor Dream Foundation

The Outdoor Dream Foundation came to life in 2004, according to Brad Jones. The foundation helps grant outdoor hunting and fishing dreams to children and youth younger than 21 who have life-threatening or terminal illnesses. Jones said that, to date, the foundation has helped over 500 kids across the United States achieve their outdoor dreams. He said that the children are referred to the foundation, usually by the facilities where they are receiving treatment.

According to Wyoming Game and Fish Department wildlife biologist Joe Sandrini, who has worked with the program for five years, the foundation matches the kids with an area based on the hunting or fishing experience they are looking for. The foundation provides the plane tickets and pays all expenses so the child and the family can enjoy their time together.

to bond while the kids are able to accomplish their goals,” Terry said. “These kids are ill at an early age, and this gives them a once-in-a-lifetime opportunity to achieve their goals and this is satisfying for me – fun but sad at the same time.”

Terry said that he becomes friends with the kids and families and stays in contact with them.

Sandrini also stays in touch with the kids and their families and has developed some great friendships with them, as well as with the guides.

According to Sandrini, C&A Meats of Sundance, owned by Craig Hemmah, donates all processing of the harvested meat and Kim’s Art Wildlife Taxidermy, owned by Kim Lutz and based out of Lander, provides the kids free head mounts of their game. Terry said the mounts give families something tangible to add to their memories of this time with their children.

“The joy that they get, the smiles. They just get to forget about their problems. It is such a break for them and for the parents. It lets them get away from the hospitals. It is such a feel good thing all the way around,” Sandrini said.

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2/15/18 3A State Championships, Laramie
2/16/18 3A State Championships, Laramie

The fight in the dog

We've all heard the old adage that "It's not the dog in the fight, it's the fight in the dog." Last weekend, fans in the Dome saw that adage come to life on Saturday, and folks in their living rooms experienced the same on Super Bowl Sunday.



Sonja Karp
Karpe Dogie

The fifth-ranked Dogies' win against the fourth-ranked Rawlins Outlaws on Saturday

and the Eagles' win over the Patriots on Sunday had some things in common. In both contests, the underdog who had led the entire way withstood late game drives to hold on for the win. In both games, the teams persevered without key players on the field of play. In both games, a whole team effort allowed the victorious team to come out on top.

The Dogies led for nearly the entirety of their ballgame despite the fact that they had to play a majority of it without Cade Ostenson, their leading scorer, who suffered from chronic foul trouble.

Jake Lacey also spent quite a bit of time on the bench due to fouls, and as point guard his team relies on him to drive the offense.

Sawyer Roberson is the enforcer underneath the basket, and being challenged with trying to guard 6'8", 6'5", 6'5" and 6'4" players, the already vertically challenged Dogies missed his presence on the court.

Faced with that kind of adversity, it might have been easy and understandable for the team to roll over and decide that the challenge was just too great to overcome, but bench players stepped up and starters kept pushing. Not once during the game—even as the Outlaws made a late run—did the Dogies show any sign of giving up as they held on for the three point win.

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Dogies win battle of ranked teams

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

One vote separated the Dogies and the Rawlins Outlaws in last week's coaches and media poll rankings on wyopreps.com, with the nod going to the Carbon County squad for number four. Though no quadrant seeding was at stake, bragging rights certainly were, and both teams were determined to claim them as Newcastle hosted Rawlins on Saturday.

Though the Outlaws started a team that towered over the Dogies in all but one position, the home team got off to a fast and furious start. Newcastle jumped out to a 12-2 lead in the first four minutes of play, and would hold the lead for all but a brief moment in the fourth quarter.

However, the drama that played out over the course of the 32 minutes of play had everyone in the Dome on the edge of their seats throughout.

With 1:56 to play, Rawlins took



Dylon Tidyman had to use every bit of his hops to get over the much taller Rawlins defenders in the Dogies big win over the #4 ranked Outlaws last Saturday. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

their first lead of the contest when they pulled ahead 47-46. Dylon Tidyman answered with a three from the corner to regain the lead for his team, however, the shot would not have been possible without Lyle Whitney ripping down two offensive boards on missed shots previous to the go-ahead bucket.

The Dogies pulled to a 51-49 lead, and with 2.4 seconds remaining when Cam Quigley was fouled and sent to the line for the double bonus. After hitting one of his two shots, the Outlaws still had the opportunity to push the game to overtime, but missed a close-call shot from behind the arc at the buzzer to give Newcastle the exciting win.

"That game was one that was very post-season tournament-esque," grinned head coach Allen Von Eye. "It was a battle and we had to find a way to fight through some adversity to get things done. We're going to be faced with games like that in the post-season,

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Ladies fall back against Rawlins

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

After picking up a couple of wins over the last two weeks, including a big quadrant win, head coach Tyler Bartlett's Lady Dogies dropped what he described as a winnable game against the Rawlins Lady Outlaws last Saturday in the Dome.

"I felt like it was a step back for us," Bartlett sighed. "I thought that we were trending in the right direction these last couple of weeks, but on Saturday the effort and energy just wasn't there and we are asking to get beat when that happens."

Offensively, the Lady Dogies fell back into an early season habit of launching the ball from beyond the arc, which Bartlett insists is not an efficient shot for this team. After a couple of weeks of very good shot selection, Newcastle went two of 14 from three-point land on Saturday.

"I love the three ball, but we just don't shoot them with a percentage that makes sense for us to shoot 14 in a game," he analyzed. "And we only shot three or four free throws in the entire game, which means we were not going inside. We were not being tough, and trying to get those shots and put pressure on the defense. Instead, we settled and let it fly from beyond the arc."

Rawlins jumped ahead in the first quarter, and held a consistent eight point lead throughout the first half. They then nearly doubled the Lady

Dogies' second half scoring to take the 47-31 victory.

Bartlett noted that his disappointment wasn't necessarily in the loss, but in how his team's play contributed to the loss.

The biggest point of emphasis for this season has been that in order to compete, the ladies must bring their best effort and energy to the court in every play. However, on the offensive and defensive end of the game, Bartlett felt both were lacking against the Lady Outlaws.

"As coaches, we tried a few different things throughout the game to light a fire and to find that passion for the kids, and I didn't necessarily see it," he frowned. "What makes it so disappointing is that we've had this conversation with the girls a lot. When they play hard and give great energetic effort, they can hang with, and beat, a lot of teams. However, we're just not good enough to go through the motions and expect to win."

Part of the coach's concern regarding the step back is that the season is winding down, and looking to the Regional Tournament—aside from Douglas and Buffalo, who are the undisputed frontrunners of the conference—the other two spots for qualification to the State Tournament are wide open among the other six teams.

"I think it is a straight toss-up among all but Douglas and Buffalo,"

Dogie Girls Basketball

v. Rawlins 2/3/18: 31-47

Sarah Henkle: 6 points, 10 rebounds, 2 steals
Lexus Voelker: 10 points, 4 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal
Lauren Lacey: 7 points, 3 rebounds, 3 assists
Makenzie Wagener: 4 points, 2 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal
Madi Pearson: 4 rebounds, 2 steals
Carson Quigley: 4 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist, 4 steals
Lauren Steveson: 1 steal
Sarah Sweet: 2 rebounds
Kaylee Sweet: 1 rebound
Claire Beastron: 2 rebounds, 1 assist
Mercedes Voelker: 1 block

JV Scores:
Rawlins: 34-54

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Due to missing an earlier tournament because of illness, Trayton Dawson was eligible to wrestle in Hill City last weekend where he finished first at 113. (Sonja Karp/NLJ)

Making up for lost time

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

Occasional illness and injury throughout the season gave six Dogie wrestlers the opportunity to compete last weekend at the Black Hills Classic in Hill City, and despite their limited numbers, the squad finished strong in claiming sixth place out of 18 teams.

"During a season, a wrestler can only compete in 15 events (seven tournaments and eight duals), so the six that traveled this weekend were guys that had missed a tournament earlier in the season," head coach Lee McCoy explained.

Though it was a small roster for the Dogies, it included some of the team's heaviest hitters with Wyatt Corley (152) and Teigen Marchant (195) each placing first, while Kale Corley (120) finished in second. Reid Holmes placed fourth at 113 and Skyler Jenkins (145) and Joe Guse (220) each finished in eighth.

"Wyatt and Teigen looked very good this weekend after being out sick for a week. Both completely dominated their weight classes," McCoy nodded. "I thought Reid and Kale wrestled pretty tough throughout the tournament, but ran into a couple of hammers from Philip."

Philip has a long tradition of wrestling dominance and was the breeding ground of Lincoln McIlravy, who was the 152 pound bronze medalist in freestyle wrestling at the 2000 Olympics in Sydney, Australia.

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Two more earn state berth

Sonja Karp
NLJ Sports Reporter

With the season coming down to the wire, the members of the Dogie swim team are rising to the challenge and stepping up their game in order to earn a state tournament berth. Last weekend at the 3A East Conference Meet in Buffalo the boys poured it on, and added two new qualifiers who will join Garrett Merchen in Gillette for the final competition. A couple more are within striking distance of doing so as well.

“We had a really good meet with several PRs, and Austen [Kenney] and James [Cox] both qualified for the State Meet,” head coach Doug Scribner smiled. “Austen is just .3 of a second away from qualifying in the 50 Free, and Conrad [Prell] is super close in the 500 Free as well.”

Kenney went into the Conference Meet just over a second shy of the qualifying mark for the 100 Freestyle. After finishing sixth in the preliminary round, he shaved 1.84 seconds off his best time of the season to take fifth place and guarantee himself a place on the blocks in Gillette two weeks from now in that event.

Cox established himself as a contender in the 100 Backstroke last week at the Gillette Invite, and devoted himself to improving over the course of the week in practice. It’s evident that his hard work paid off, given he finished fourth with a time of 1:09.38, which is nearly four seconds below the 3A qualifying time.

“James had a huge time drop in Gillette, which was when we realized that he was quite strong in the 100 Back,” Scribner stated. “He dropped another eight seconds from Gillette to Conference last weekend, and I think a lot of the reason for that is he realized he was capable of swimming that fast, and that he could go even harder.”

In the last two weeks, Cox has cut around 15 seconds off his previous best time in the

event, and Scribner claimed that with work on a couple aspects of the race, he has the potential to shave off even more at the State Meet.

“He still has so much potential because the swimming part with the strokes is coming together and he’s really strong in that, but his start and his walls are still pretty rough,” Scribner explained. “He is losing momentum at every turn, so if we can get that smoothed out in practice this week and next, he could potentially drop another five seconds.”

Joining Kenney and Cox in setting new personal bests was Prell, who dropped 11 seconds in the 500 Freestyle from Gillette to Conference, and is now only two seconds away from qualifying in that event.

“Conrad has been wanting to qualify in the 500, and since he and Zach [Benshoof] were already seeded in the top 12 at the Conference Meet there wasn’t a whole lot of pressure for them to push that hard,” Scribner began. “But about halfway through the race Conrad was still looking strong, so I started to try to get him to pick it up and he is really excited to qualify, which is totally doable.”

Benshoof finished in ninth in the 500, two places behind Prell, and in the process knocked nearly 14 seconds off his previous best time. Dalton Parsons set a PR in the 200 IM with a time of 3:02.33, a full five seconds faster than his previous best, while Kaden Curren shaved a little over a second off his 50 free for a new PR in that event.

The Dogies have one more shot to qualify for the State Meet at the Last Chance Qualifier meet this Thursday in Buffalo, where Scribner is confident those who are close will be able to punch their ticket to the season ending event.

Dogie Boys Swimming @ 3A East Conference Meet 2/2-3/18

Team Results:
1. Rawlins 421.5
2. Buffalo 226
3. Worland 213.5
4. Newcastle 118
5. Cody 117
6. Douglas 91

Individual Results: Prelim; Finals
200 Medley Relay: 2:24.42; 2:25.32
6. James Cox, Kaden Curren, Dalton Parsons, Austen Kenney

200 Free: Prelims
11. Zach Benshoof 2:35.78

200 Free Finals:
8. Zach Benshoof 2:28.89

200 IM Prelims:
10. Conrad Prell 2:51.92
11. Dalton Parsons 3:02.33 PR

200 IM Finals:
10. Conrad Prell 2:53.65
11. Dalton Parsons 3:05.26

50 Free Prelims:
10. Austen Kenney 26.86
22. Kaden Curren 33.69 PR
24. Jae Hyun Lee 37.14

50 Free Finals:
9. Austen Kenney 26.62

100 Butterfly Prelims:
8. James Cox 1:17.15

100 Butterfly Finals:
8. James Cox 1:16.72

100 Free Prelims:
6. Austen Kenney 1:00.07 PR
17. Kaden Curren 1:28.93

100 Free Finals:
5. Austen Kenney 59.54 3AQ PR
10. Kaden Curren 1:24.19

500 Free Prelims:
7. Conrad Prell 6:30.93 PR
11. Zach Benshoof 7:07.80

500 Free Finals:
7. Conrad Prell 6:27.25 PR
9. Zach Benshoof 6:51.67 PR

200 Free Relay: 2:10.92; 2:05.43
6. Kaden Curren, James Cox, Zach Benshoof, Conrad Prell

100 Backstroke Prelims:
4. James Cox 1:10.3AQ PR
8. Dalton Parsons 1:15.67

100 Backstroke Finals:
4. James Cox 1:09.38 3AQ PR
9. Dalton Parsons 1:15.95

100 Breaststroke Prelims:
DQ. Jae Hyun Lee

400 Free Relay: 4:28.73; 4:21.64
3. Austen Kenney, Zach Benshoof, Conrad Prell, Dalton Parsons

Karp

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In Super Bowl LII, the Philadelphia Eagles were also the underdog being challenged with facing off against the New England Patriots’ empire that has made it to 10 Super Bowls and has won five of those, all under head coach Bill Belichick and quarterback Tom Brady.

Brady is arguably the best quarterback to have played the game, and Belichick— who has been the Patriots’ head coach since 2000— has proven his prowess as a coach as evidenced by his record.

The Eagles, on the other hand, have only earned three Super Bowl berths, the last of which was in 2005 where they lost to the Patriots 24-21.

Their head coach, Doug Pederson, was named in January of 2016, and despite 19 years of experience in the NFL as a player and a coach, is a rookie compared to Belichick.

Early in December the Eagles lost their starting QB, Carson Wentz, to a torn ACL. That is when Nick Foles got the call to move from

backup to starting quarterback.

It was a classic David and Goliath scenario that was set up to be played out in Minneapolis on Sunday, and it played out that way.

The Eagles could have succumbed to the veteran experience and strength of the Patriots’ program, but they did what they needed to in order to win, and it was a whole team effort that made it happen.

An undrafted rookie running back that led the Eagles in receiving yards, a huge defensive play where the Eagles stripped Brady and recovered the fumble late in the fourth quarter to stop the Pat’s offensive drive, and a trick play that resulted in a touchdown pass from the tight end to Foles in the end zone all were key in the victory.

After watching both of these games last weekend, it occurred to me that it doesn’t matter how it looks on paper. If you give it all you’ve got and fight until the very end, good things can happen.

Ladies

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Bartlett began. “This is a year where we could be very opportunistic, and be good enough to be one of the top four teams in the East, but not without great effort.”

Only three weeks remain in the regular season, and this Friday presents an important rematch against the Lady Blazers in Torrington. On the line is East Quadrant seeding, because a win would nearly guarantee the Lady Dogies the third seed and the ability to avoid having to face off against Buffalo in the first round of tournament play.

Foremost on the coaches’ minds is how to get

the squad heading in the right direction at this pivotal point in the season.

“As a coaching staff, we’ll look at everything,” Bartlett nodded. “We’ll watch the film and if there needs to be a change in the starting lineup, if we need to shuffle some people around, or change minutes around, or look at what we’re doing defensively and see if there’s a better way we can engage our kids, we’re going to do it.”

The team is hard at it this week trying to regain focus to take on Torrington on Friday, and then they will host Chadron in the final home game of the season on Saturday.

Wrestlers

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Corley’s loss in the championship round came at the hands of an eighth-grader from Philip who finished second in the state last season and is undefeated so far this year, while Holmes was also bested in his third place match by a Philip area wrestler.

Holmes was wrestling up at 113 rather than his usual 106, and according to teammate Wyatt Corley, ran into more than just the one tough match on his way through the brackets.

“He went up against Deonte Taylor, who is a strong wrestler from Hulett,” Corley began. “Reid was behind, but really turned it on and took it to him in the last 30 seconds to get the win that moved him into the third place match.”

McCoy was pleased with how all six of his athletes wrestled on the day, and with only two duals remaining before the 3A East Regional Tournament is focused on putting his team in the best possible position heading into it.

“We are continuing to work hard in practice, and to improve in certain positions that give us trouble,” he began. “Going into this final week of regular season competition, we will be trying to get everyone completely healthy and ready for Regionals.”

The full Dogie team will travel to Wheatland for a dual on Thursday, and then to Douglas on Friday for their final dual. Both contests are scheduled to begin at 5 p.m.

Newcastle/Upton Wrestling

@ Black Hills Classic 2/3/18

Team results:
1. Philip, SD 192.5
2. Rapid City Central 187
3. Custer 169
4. Lead 142
5. Rapid City Stevens 108.5
6. Newcastle 101
7. Wright 92
8. Hot Springs 79.5
9. Newell, SD 67
10. Lemmon, SD 63
11. Hill City 58
12. Belle Fourche 57.5
13. Sturgis 54
14. St. Thomas More 48
15. Hulett 45.5
16. Sundance 24
17. Red Cloud, SD 13
18. Douglas, SD 7

Individual Tournament Record
113: Reid Holmes 4th Place 4-2
120: Kale Corley 2nd Place 2-1
145: Skylar Jenkins 8th Place 1-3
152: Wyatt Corley 1st Place 4-0
195: Teigen Marchant 1st Place 4-0
220: Joe Guse: 8th Place 0-3

Boys

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so it was really good for us to get some experience with that.”

Adversity indeed came early for the Dogies as three starters – Cade Ostenson, Jake Lacey and Sawyer Roberson – got into foul trouble with time remaining in the second quarter. With three fouls each, the squad played much of the second and third quarters without these key contributors.

To make matters worse, Ostenson—who is the team’s leading scorer— fouled out early in the fourth quarter after only playing a total of 19 minutes in the contest.

Playing without their point guard (Lacey), Ostenson and Roberson—who was a much needed presence under the basket against Rawlins’ bigs— the Dogie bench came through big for the home team.

“It’s not our philosophy to go 10 deep on a nightly basis because we want our top kids out on the floor, but we had faith that our bench would be

Dogie Boys Basketball v. Rawlins 2-3-18: 52-49

Cam Quigley: 4 points, 7 rebounds, 6 assists, 2 steals
Cade Ostenson: 12 points, 6 rebounds, 1 steal
Lyle Whitney: 6 points, 5 rebounds, 1 assist
Sawyer Roberson: 4 points, 3 rebounds
Jake Lacey: 4 points, 1 rebound, 4 assists, 1 steal
Dylan Tidyman: 18 points, 3 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal, 1 block
Dylan Talley: 4 points, 2 rebounds, 1 assist, 1 steal

JV: Rawlins: 43-69
Freshmen: Rawlins: 41-65

100 percent able to execute,” Von Eye nodded. “They play against the best kids in the state on a daily basis in practice, so they know what they need to do when their number is called, and on Saturday night they were huge for us.”

Whitney and Dylan Talley stepped in seamlessly, contributing in a huge way to the Dogies’ win.

Whitney is the team’s “sixth man,” and has started occasionally

throughout the season. According to Von Eye, his role is a special one because as a sub he comes in and gives the team a spark on both ends of the court. On Saturday, he did just that dropping in six points and pulling down five rebounds, including the two late game offensive boards which made a difference in the outcome of the game.

“Our five and our six guys are pretty much the same, so where we’ve wanted to go is to have our sixth man be our spark plug who comes in off the bench, but is not a back-up kid,” Von Eye declared. “Lyle would be a starter on another team, so we want him to bring that energy and he did a fabulous job of doing just that.”

Talley hasn’t seen a lot of minutes so far in the season, but Von Eye had no qualms about putting him on the court.

“We knew last summer that Dylan would provide us with some valuable minutes this season,” Von Eye stated.

“He has length and quick twitch, so he’s able to move quickly. He’s a good shooter and defender, and he provided us a huge instant spark with some of the things he did.”

While he was in the game Talley was tasked with defending the Outlaws’ biggest threat, and between he and Tidyman they were able to keep him quiet throughout most of the contest. In addition to his defensive presence, Talley added four points in the teams’ 52-49 win.

Obviously pleased with the performance of his bench, Von Eye was most pleased to see his team return to their style of play after taking a hiatus from it last weekend.

“It was great to see our guys come out and play the way they did. Defensively we are starting to play the kind of game we need to, and we rebounded really well for most of the game considering their height. We also ran the floor a lot better than last weekend,” Von Eye began. “We

needed to get back to our brand of basketball, and for us we’re at our best and we are most comfortable when we are out in the open floor and we’re running in transition. It was good to see them all do that on Saturday.”

This weekend is another big one for the Dogies as they head to Torrington for a rematch against the Trailblazers on Friday, and host Chadron, Nebraska on Saturday in their last home game of the season.

“Torrington has been playing better basketball since we beat them early in January. This time of the year everyone is shooting to be trending upward, and it’s their opportunity to push a tie and really get things going in the conference. If they lose, they are pretty much securing the second seed and no one wants that,” Von Eye declared. “Chadron is a good team that will get after us and will be a good stepping stone to help us prepare for Regionals.”

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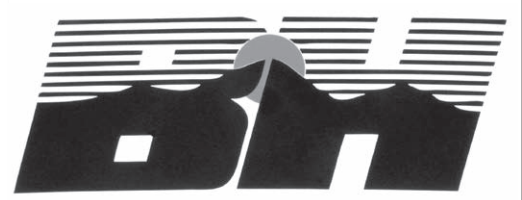
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Foreclosure Notice

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Assignee: Citi Mortgage, Inc.
Assignment dated: 09/28/2016
Assignment recorded: 10/04/2016
Assignment recording information: Document No. 762016

All in the records of the County clerk and ex-officio Register of Deeds in and for Weston County, Wyoming.

WHEREAS, the Mortgage contains a power of sale which by reason of said default, the Mortgagee declares to have become operative, and no suit or proceeding has been instituted at law to recover the debt secured by the Mortgage, or any part thereof, nor has any such suit or proceeding been instituted and the same discontinued; and

WHEREAS, written notice of intent to foreclose the Mortgage by advertisement and sale has been served upon the record owner and the party in possession of the mortgaged premises at least ten (10) days prior to the commencement of this publication, and the amount due upon the Mortgage on the date of first publication of this notice of sale being the total sum of \$ 95,955.52 which sum consists of the unpaid principal balance of \$91,252.20 plus interest accrued to the date of the first publication of this notice in the amount of \$4,282.42 plus attorneys' fees, costs expended, and accruing interest and late charges after the date of first publication of this notice of sale;

WHEREAS, the property being foreclosed upon may be subject to other liens and encumbrances that will not be extinguished at the sale. Any prospective purchaser should research the status of title before submitting a bid;

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A tract of land commencing at the NE corner of Lot 15, Block 14, Neiman Addition to the Town of Upton, Wyoming. Running North 89°32'W for a distance of 80 feet to the point of beginning of this tract; thence continuing North 89°32'W for a distance of 132.9 feet to the NW corner of the tract; thence South 48°45'E for a distance of 175.5 feet to the SE corner of the tract; thence North 0°28'E for a distance of 129.9 feet back to the point of beginning of this tract. Also known as a portion of Lot 14, Block 14, Neiman Addition to the Town of Upton, Weston County, Wyoming.

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Meeting Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

The Board of Directors of the Wyoming Community Development Authority (WCDA) will hold a conference call Board meeting beginning at 8:00 am, Wednesday, February 21, 2018, at the offices of WCDA, 155 N. Beech, Casper, WY.

The purpose of the meeting is to discuss general business of the Authority. An agenda is available at the offices of WCDA at 155 N. Beech, Casper, WY 82601.

(Publish February 8, 2018)

Public Notice

NOTICE OF APPLICATION RENEWAL OF RETAIL LIQUOR LICENSES 2018-2019

Notice is hereby given that on the 16th day of January, 2018 the following Seven Retail Liquor Licenses, two Restaurant Licenses; one Club License, two Bar & Grill Licenses filed applications for renewal of their Liquor Licenses. Protests, if there be any, against the issuance of these licenses, will be heard at the hour of 7:30 p.m. on Tuesday, February 20, 2018, in the Newcastle City Council Chambers at City Hall, Newcastle, Wyoming.

Liquor License #1: PERKINS TAVERN, LLC d/b/a Perkins Tavern; LOT 6, BLOCK 10, ORIGINAL TOWNSITE

Liquor License #3: DECKERS FOODS CENTER OF NEWCASTLE, INC., d/b/a Smoke Shop Liquors; A TRACT OF LAND BEING A PORTION OF QUARTER HORSE ADDITION, ZONED C-1

Liquor License #4: CAP & BOTTLE, LLC d/b/a Cap N Bottle; LOTS 10 & 11, CANNON SUBDIVISION OF LOT 20, BLOCK T, COUNTY CLERK ADDITION, ZONED C-1

Liquor License #5: HRS ANTLERS, LLC d/b/a Antler's Lounge; LOTS 7 & 8 BLOCK 6, ORIGINAL ADDITION, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WY

Liquor License #6: MINI MART INC., d/b/a Loaf 'N Jug #167; PORTION OF BLOCK 3 OF THE REPLAT OF HOMEBUILDERS ADDITION #1, NEWCASTLE, WESTON COUNTY, WY

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Gregory H. James, Clerk/Treasurer, City of Newcastle

(Publish February 1 and 8, 2018)

Bid Notice

INVITATION TO BID SCHOOL PORTRAITS

Weston County School District # 1 will receive at the Office of the Superintendent, 116 Casper Avenue, Newcastle, Wyoming, bids proposals for school portraits the 2018-2019 school year, up to but no later than, 10:00 am on March 30, 2018.

Bid proposals will be broken into the following categories. You may bid on all or parts of the below items:

- School Portraits Packages:
• Turn-around time/costs of portrait packages
• Retakes costs will be part of the package
• Digital Requirements: Pictures need to be 200 pixels wide by 300 pixels high and labeled jpeg. They must be in a flat zip file with students and staff separated for Powerschool.
• Head shot of every high school student in an electronic file or disk for Yearbook as well as team photos of all team/activities and all levels. (electronic file or disc)
• Student & Staff ID Cards

Sports Packages: (will be chosen by the athletic directors)
• Team photo of each team or activity in electronic file or disk for regional programs/coaches-All Team Levels
• Photo of each player for use if we make state finals (disc form or electronic- must have player ID) - Head shot of coaches
• Team Banners for Commons (optional)

Prom Packages: (will be chosen by the Junior Class)
• Time Frame/Cost
Composites:
• Elementary/Middle School Year: or Class Composite.

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WCSD #1 Warrants

WESTON COUNTY SCHOOL DISTRICT #1 GENERAL FUND WARRANTS OVER \$500 JANUARY 2018

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Blotter

January 28, 2018
Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. 911 hang up. Medical assist. Traffic hazard reported. Civil standby requested. Assist other agency. 911 misdial. Civil assist. Injured deer reported.

January 29
Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Extra patrol requested. VIN inspection requested. Assist other agency. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Welfare check requested. Disturbance reported. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, One arrest. Phone threats reported. Medical assist.

January 30
Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Welfare check requested. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Drunk driver reported. Assist other agency. Welfare check requested. Phone fraud reported. Civil standby requested. Ministerial assistance requested. Civil standby requested. Assist other agency.

January 31
Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Funeral escort requested. Traffic hazard reported. Assist other agency. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.



February 1
Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Assist other agency. Hit and Run accident reported. Suicide attempted. Assist other agency. Suspicious activity reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Commercial alarm reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

February 2
Assist other agency. Medical assist. Civil assist. Disturbance reported. Shots fired reported. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

February 3
Suspicious activity reported. Suspicious activity reported. Message delivery requested. Found property reported. Report of a dog at large. Traffic stop, Written Warning issued.

Legal Notice

PUBLIC NOTICE

Pursuant to the Wyoming Administrative Procedure Act and the Wyoming Public Service Commission's (Commission) Procedural Rules and Special Regulations, notice is hereby given of the Application of Powder River Energy Corporation (PRECorp), for authority to revise its rules and regulations pertaining to its Meter Testing and Verification plan.

PRECorp is a public utility as defined in Wyo. Stat. § 37-1-101(a)(vi)(C), subject to the Commission's jurisdiction pursuant to Wyo. Stat. § 37-2-112.

On January 26, 2018, PRECorp filed its Application requesting authority to revise its rules and regulations pertaining to its Meter Testing and Verification plan, effective on and after March 16, 2018.

PRECorp proposes to remove from its existing Meter Testing and Verification plan the practice/requirement of manually reading each residential meter at least once in every twelve (12) months and visually inspecting/auditing the meter and meter location. As the annual reading and field audit of all residential meters predates the implementation of PRECorp's automated meter reading (AMR) system in the early to mid-2000s, it is no longer a necessary practice for the purpose of ensuring frequent meter readings and meter accuracy. Since the implementation of PRECorp's AMR system residential meters are now read daily. Moving forward, PRECorp proposes to rely on the random sampling of meters, as outlined in PRECorp's Rules and Regulations on Meter Testing and Verification, Wyoming PSC Tariff No. 9, Section X, V.A.3 (Sheet 55R), as the preferred method for the selection and testing of meters for accuracy.

PRECorp also proposes to remove all references to equipment/tools listed in its Rules and Regulations pertaining to its Meter Testing and Verification plan that is not used in the testing and verification of meter accuracy and any data listed in the Tariff/program that is not gathered or verified at the time of a meter test. This is not a complete description of the Application. Interested persons may inspect the Application at any PRECorp Wyoming business office, or at the Commission's offices in Cheyenne, Wyoming, during regular business hours. The Applications can also be viewed at www.precorp.coop.

Anyone desiring to file a public comment, statement, intervention petition, protest or request for a public hearing in this matter must do file with the Commission in writing on or before March 2, 2018. Any intervention request filed with the Commission shall set forth the grounds of the proposed intervention or request for hearing as well as the position and the interest of the petitioner in this proceeding.

If you wish to intervene in this matter or request a public hearing which you will attend and you require reasonable accommodation for a disability, call the Commission at (307) 777-7427 or write to the Commission, 2515 Warren Avenue, Suite 300, Cheyenne, Wyoming 82002. Communications-impaired persons may contact the Commission through Wyoming Relay at 711. Please mention Docket No. 10014-189-CT-18 (Record No. 14930) in your communications. Dated: February 2, 2018

(Publish February 8 and 15, 2018)

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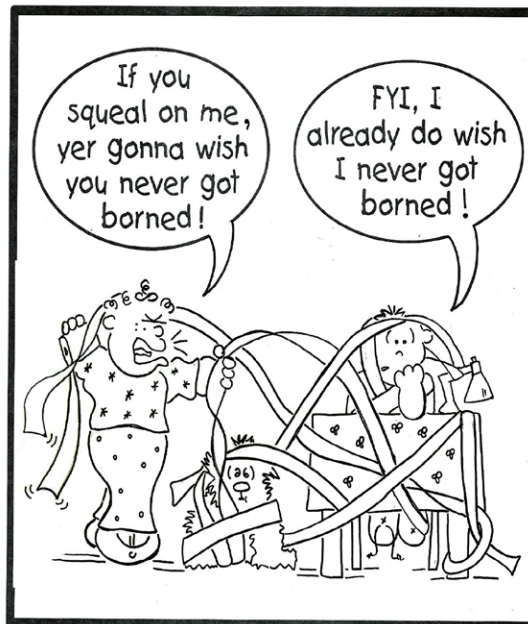
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Dogieie alumnus turns 100 this week

Bri Brasher
NLJ Reporter

Margaret “Jerry” Ricketts Warren, a Newcastle High School graduate with the class of 1935, turns 100 on Feb. 8. The daughter of an oil man, Warren moved around often in her youth — 22 times to be exact — and one of those moves landed her in Newcastle for her senior year of high school. After her year in Newcastle, Warren settled down as an adult in Plains, Texas, and has lived in the same home there for most of her life. The News Letter Journal chatted with Warren about her experience in Newcastle in 1935.

“All of the boys loved me, and all of the girls hated me,” Warren said definitively, much to the amusement of several loved ones sitting in on the interview.

While Warren’s family said that she was hesitant about moving to small-town Wyoming, she has always talked about what a wonderful experience she had living here. Warren has fond memories of the skating rink in Osage that the kids traveled from Newcastle to enjoy. She even kept in touch with lifelong friends made in Newcastle, including Joe Toth, Sandy Kirkwood, and several others.

Warren remembered the cold weather and riding the bus from her home in Osage to attend the old school on the hill in Newcastle. She even recalled a few bumps and a minor accident in her bus travels to and from school, one of which riled many parents and got the students out of school for the day. She recalled climbing the many steps up to the school, where she is said to have had quite the influence in her one year at the local high school.

At her previous schools, Warren had been a cheer and band leader, and when she arrived in Newcastle, the school had neither. Ever the socialite, Warren couldn’t stand the thought of a school without any pep, so she and a cohort of other students started their own cheerleading squad. Warren, at 5 feet and maybe 100 pounds, still boasts the same big personality as she did then.

“One of the football players in high school joked that they were going to pick her up and put her in the locker!” said Jacque Seaton, Warren’s weekend caretaker.

To this day, Warren still has some pep in her step, even if she doesn’t move quite as quickly as she once did. Jerry said she has always wanted to come to a reunion in Newcastle, but has never been able to make the 1,800-mile trip. Even so, according to grandson Russell Warren, she has never stopped cheering for sports favorites and for her family.

Called “Meme,” the mother



Margaret “Jerry” Ricketts Warren turns 100 years old this week. At right, her Newcastle High School yearbook photo. (Submitted photos)



of five, grandmother of 14, great-grandmother of 26, and great-great-grandmother of one, is the heart of her large family.

“She’s a great blessing to our family,” Russell shared. “We have a big, very supportive and loving family, and she has been the center of that.” Russell added that she shaped who they are as a family, always stressing their closeness with her strong will, faith, and mindfulness.

While planning for her 100th birthday celebration, Russell Warren contacted Newcastle High School looking for any photos or information on his grandmother and her time here. He was delighted to hear from Principal Tracy Ragland, and even more grateful for the yearbook content Ragland shared. The Warrens plan to celebrate their beloved grandmother’s 100th year milestone together as a family, and with Warren’s community in Plains to honor her and her vast influence.

Warren’s community is made up of approximately 1,500 people who know and love Warren just as much as her doting family. Russell said she is beloved in the county, everybody knows her, and everyone is pitching in to celebrate her. They are expecting their entire family of 50, and around several hundred members of the community to gather for the centenarian’s party.

“She’s just so supportive of all of us and has unconditional love. We all have such busy schedules and lives, and she really just draws us home and

keeps us grounded,” Russell lovingly articulated.

Warren shared a bit of her family life with the News Letter Journal, explaining that she “married a fella from Texas and had five children.” The family worked as cotton and peanut farmers, making a comfortable living. When asked the key to a successful family structure, Warren, an only child, advised parents to always have more than one child, to be surrounded with kids and love. Warren is as proud as any matriarch could ever be, displaying her family’s pictures and diplomas on a wall that commemorates their successes.

Warren’s influence still permeates through her family, and her energy keeps them all going. She’s a go-getter who still loves shopping, getting her hair and nails done, planning large family gatherings, eating out and enjoying a few glasses of wine and chocolatey treats. Even after 100 years, Warren’s mind is sharp, her love strong, and her cheer bright. She still attends as many sporting events as she can, and tunes into games on television often.

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